

FRIDAY, FEB. 20, 1914.

The DAILY HERALD has nearly DOUBLE the Circulation of either contemporary paper published in Los Angeles. As an advertising medium it is consequently DOUBLE their value.

Homes in Southern California.

Taking everything into consideration, Southern California offers better inducements to men of moderate means, who are looking for homes, than any other section of the Union. The States and Territories bordering on the Missouri river may furnish cheaper lands, and they may be more accessible to the emigrant from the Eastern States, but our superior climate, and, above all, the great variety of our productions, overbalance that consideration.

The settler on Government or railroad lands in Kansas or Nebraska is confined to stock raising. He is such a distance from market that he will not pay to raise grain, and there is nothing left for him to do but to feed cattle. To do this successfully requires a good deal of capital. The rigor of the climate also compels him to expend large sums in erecting buildings for himself and stock. Here the pursuits that open to the settler are legion. Fruit-raising has proven one of the most profitable of employments; the rearing of all kinds of stock is very remunerative; bees afford a large and certain profit; the castor bean and the olive are easily produced; the silk-worm can be profitably reared; cotton is a certain crop; tobacco grows without any trouble; and besides the many other products of the soil, manufactures of every kind are demanded by the population already here.

The field is wide, and men of brains and business capacity need not wait a day for a chance of profitable employment.

Real Estate.

The coming year promises to be one of unusual activity in real estate transactions. Large numbers of Eastern people are looking for homes in our country, and with the returning ease in the money market those who were deterred from investing last Fall, will be looking around for locations. The fine outlook for agricultural operations will have a marked effect in increasing the sales. Farming cannot help but be profitable, and the desire to own one's home is decidedly strengthened by the increased ability to pay for it. Some lands are kept out of the market by speculators, who are holding for high prices, but there are sufficient that can be bought for reasonable figures, and we have no question but that buyers for them will be found more numerous than they have been for years. It is only necessary that full information of the great advantages of Southern California shall be disseminated in the East to bring us a tide of emigration and fill our vacant lands with industrious occupants.

The Chamber of Commerce is doing a good work in scattering this information, but their efforts should be seconded by every one of our citizens.

The Code Commission Grab.

Judge Lindley, in reply to the attack of the *Express*, writes that paper the following letter:

EDITOR *EXPRESS*:—I am not surprised at your article in yesterday's *Express*, in which my name was mentioned in connection with the twenty-five thousand dollar relief bill for Creed Haymond and others, inasmuch as Legislative reporters and correspondents had grouped my name with the affair. I take this occasion to say, however, that my name has been used entirely without my knowledge or consent; that I have no interest whatever in the matter, and do not desire any. I want it distinctly understood that I have had no connection with Creed Haymond & Co., since my resignation in January, 1912. If the State is willing to give them the plunder, I want them to take it in their own names and not in mine.

C. LINDLEY.

The *Express* glides out of its uncomfortable position very gracefully, as witness the following from last evening's issue:

Our remarks yesterday, on the Creed Haymond & Co. grab, have called out a note from Judge Lindley denying that he is in any way connected with this brazen effort to plunder \$25,000 from the State Treasury. We are glad to know this, and equally pleased to place the Judge right on the record. Finding him where we had hoped he was, on the honest side in this extraordinary claim, we shall now confidently look to him to aid us in severing the attempted spoliation of the Treasury. It needs but that he should stamp the thing as a fraud to defeat it. This he does by inference in his note to us; but he owes it to his position and to his pride of profession as a virtue which is eminently strong in him—to lift from the Codes the great burden of a meditated infamy, which, if successful, will materially help to swell the prejudice against them. It was in the interest of law reform that we refused to separate Judge Lindley from the group in which he had been placed, preferring to provoke his own probity with a sharp thrust rather than allow him to passively permit his name to aid in the consummation of a great wrong—a wrong which would react to the destruction of his darling project of a perfect Code system. He is now a tower of strength on the side of the right.

As a specimen of prompt and effectual crawling, the above is rarely equalled.

A man named Williams came near being killed lately near Alder Creek by being caved on while prospecting in a mine.

Castor Oil as a Leather Preservative.

A correspondent of the Germantown *Telegraph*, who says he has tested all the patented preparations and popular recipes for preserving leather, prefers castor oil to all of them. He adds: "We have had boots a year old that we have oiled with it, and the leather was soft, smooth and waterproof to the last time they were used. We apply it clear, without heat. A little lamp-black might be used on old leather, but is seldom necessary on new, as the oil itself seems to keep the blacking on, and renders the leather black and of fine appearance. Those who have been annoyed with hard, cracked and water-soaked boots, the surface of the latter rough, without blacking, and the leather shrunken and wrinkled, so as to chafe, gall and otherwise punish the feet, will find castor oil, well applied, to be satisfactory. We have used it for wagons and buggies, and find it is in every way superior. It will wear longer, lubricate better, and is less objectionable than anything we know of."

NEWS ITEMS.

St. Petersburg sends 27,000,000 quills to England in a single year.

New York paid a million and a quarter last year for street improvements.

New York claims one drinking saloon to every one hundred and thirty of its population.

A correspondent seriously says that the American young ladies abroad are gaining for themselves and unenviable notoriety for flirtation.

The Hon. Isaac W. Smith, of Manchester, has been nominated one of the Judges of the Supreme Judiciary Court of New Hampshire, to fill a vacancy.

It is now reported from Tennessee that Congressman Maynard has no inclination to be the Republican nominee for Governor of that State, and that the choice will probably fall upon State Senator W. P. Jones, of Davidson.

A Louisiana paper rejoices that its judges will be kept at home and the members of the Legislature will not be absent from their post of duty hereafter, in consequence of the local railroads determining to charge full fare for each traveler.

The Kansas Legislature has dispensed with chaplains, and substituted services of religious members in its own body. There is an impression abroad that Kansas legislators did "preying" of another sort.

The Wilmington, Del., *Commercial* pleads the maintenance of military drill in education as an agent in establishing the habit of prompt, unquestioning obedience; the American character, in its opinion, very much needing this.

It has been found by the German Insurance companies that during the past seven years there has been a great decrease in the number of fires arising from strokes of lightning, in comparison with the number of houses struck. They attribute this to the marked increase of metallic or slated roofs.

PACIFIC COAST ITEMS.

Almond trees are in blossom at San Jose.

The matrimonial fever and small-pox are raging at Salt Lake City.

The Oregon Pioneers expect to have a very interesting time at Astoria on the occasion of the annual meeting, February 22d.

A frail woman at Hollister was, on Wednesday last, accidentally shot in the fleshy part of her leg by her "feller," who was carelessly handling his six-shooter in the bar-room of the place.

A Forest Grove (Oregon) citizen became entangled in the meshes of the law, and attempted to plead his own case. Two lawyers on the opposite side almost talked him to death.

The farmer of Oregon gets \$40 per ton for his wheat, and the carriers get about \$25 per ton for the same. But the ships are not owned in the State—hence Oregon's loss is \$25 per ton on wheat.

Peter Dailey, a native of Ireland, but an adopted citizen, was killed in the Moonshine diggings, near Camptown, on the 3d instant, by a bank caving in upon him. Deceased leaves a wife and four children in destitute circumstances.

Salem, Oregon, revels in two Shakespearean reading societies—one composed entirely of young ladies and one of young gentlemen. The societies are moving to have the two consolidated for mutual improvement and public entertainment.

PACIFIC COAST ITEMS.

In Grass Valley the rain-fall for the present season is 41.82 inches.

Napa City wants two or three night watchmen, but the *Register* thinks it may be "questionable whether our citizens would be willing to foot the bill."

At Petaluma, it is said, Rev. W. H. Hill, minister in Sacramento, will supply St. John's Church regularly for the ensuing two months, and quite likely permanently.

A young man named Canovan was caved upon by a bank of earth in a gravel claim near Volcano, on Wednesday last, by the heavy rain which he received very serious injuries, being paralyzed from his shoulders down.

Last Tuesday Wm. Sleep, a miner, was hurt in the Empire mine at Grass Valley. A rock fell upon his left foot and crushed it. One toe was cut off at the second joint. Sleep has a painful but not a dangerous wound.

Farmers inform us, says the *Lake County Bee*, that the early sown grain is making a satisfactory growth, and, judging from present prospects, will yield bountiful returns next harvest. As much, if not more, than the usual amount had been sown before this ever memorable Winter put in an appearance.

A boy named William Caton, living at Columbia, was at Charles Brown's place, at Yankee Hill, on Sunday, February 8th, when he was badly injured by a cow. The cow has a young calf; the boy was with his dog, when he was hooked between the two lower ribs on the right side, making a deep hole, sufficiently large to run the fingers in.

The Colusa *Sun* says: "We are informed by friends from different parts of the county that there is a good deal of grain on low spots that will be drowned out. We are further informed that on the low land that has been drowned out, many farmers are sowing grain without again plowing the land. This is very bad farming."

LOS ANGELES SODA WORKS,
No. 13 ALISO STREET.
HENRY W. STOLL, PROPRIETOR.
Supplies Bar Rooms and private families with the purest and best
SODA AND SODA-PANILLA.
Delivered to any part of the city. no2-1m

Thermometrical Record.

According to the plan of the Smithsonian Institution. Kept especially for the *HERALD* by Brodick & Co., February 19th, 1914.
9 A. M.—56.2 P. M.—57.5 P. M.—53.0
Average, 55.4

NEW TO DAY.

CARD.

The New Arrival informs the inhabitants of Los Angeles that he will continue the sale one week longer, in order to give the ladies an opportunity of supplying themselves out of the most elegant stock of dry goods that has ever been brought to this city, and at extraordinary low prices. The New Arrival has made further reductions in all his stock, in order to more fully annoy the authors of the outrageous and sensational attack made on the New Arrival through the columns of the "Star."

The New Arrival informs the ladies that this emancipated hemisphere of Washington is free to all, and that he has just as much right to sell goods in this city as any of the libelers—a fact which has been fully indorsed by the public.

The New Arrival respectfully thanks the ladies for the immense patronage he has received during the very inclement weather he has been opened, and no effort of his will be spared during the coming week to attend to the wants of the public. Several good salesmen have been engaged. Come at once, ladies. When I am gone, you will have to pay double the price.

No trouble to show goods.
N. B.—The lady who bought the \$75 50 bill is requested to call, as there is a mistake in her bill to her advantage.

Note the address:
OPPOSITE TEMPLE BANK.
Entrance on Temple street.
T. D. CREED.

MERCED THEATRE.

FANNY MORGAN PHELPS.....Manageress
ELLAS LIPSON.....Business Manager

FOURTH NIGHT

—OF THE—
Fanny Morgan Phelps
Dramatic Combination.

Immense Success!

Houses Improving Every Night.

A SENSATION PLAY TO-NIGHT!

Friday Evening, Feb. 20th, 1914.

Will be presented the Great Sensation Play, in Four Acts, of

The Ticket-of-Leave Man.

Fanny Morgan Phelps as May Edwards
Sam'l W. Piercy as Bob Brierly

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

GRAND FAMILY MATINEE!

ADMISSION:

Dress Circle.....\$1.00
Parquette......50
Private Boxes.....5.00

Box Seats for Reserved Seats open at the Theatre from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Feb 21

TO LET—A Pleasantly Situated

Frame House, containing 6 rooms. In good condition; has good out-houses, and water on the premises. Apply at south corner of Fort and Fourth streets. 120 ft

GOODALL NELSON & PERKINS'

STEAMSHIP LINE!

For San Francisco and Way Ports.

The Steamship

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ELLIOT.....Master.

Will sail as above on

Saturday, Feb. 21st, 1914.

Passengers leave the depot of the L. A. & S. F. R. R. at 3 P. M.

J. L. WARD & CO., Agents, 43 Main street.

A Card.

We respectfully inform all ladies and gentlemen who contemplate attending our Masquerade Ball, which takes place on the 20th inst., that we have contracted for some 20 costumes, being not recently brought from the East, and are new. Parties wishing first choice of costumes, have their names entered for such by applying at the store of H. Fleischman, S. Meyer and L. Lehman. Feb 20

BAL MASQUE!!

SECOND ANNUAL BAL MASQUE

—OF THE—

Turn Verein Germania.

At their Hall, Spring street.

Saturday Evening, February 20th, 1914.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE:

C. C. LIPS, H. W. HELLMAN,
DR. J. KURTZ, E. NETZKE,
J. KURITS.

FLOOR COMMITTEE:

S. BLUM, B. MARXSEN, D. LEVY,
M. LEHMAN, MARXSEN, D. ULLMAN,
G. REINER.

Tickets admitting gentlemen and ladies in costume.....\$5.00.

Spectator Tickets.....1.00.

Tickets to be had of H. Fleischman, Samuel Meyer, Geo. Heinicke, Martin Lehman, and at Saunders' Drug Store. Name and Spectator tickets sold at the door.

Supper will be provided by Mr. J. Moore, of the popular San Francisco Restaurant—Feb 20

SEWING MACHINE EXCHANGE

Revolving.

Embroidery, Flatting, Stamping, Tucking, Rusting.

DRESSMAKING & PLAIN SEWING!

Ladies' and Childrens' Patterns.

ALL KINDS

MACHINES!

Sold, Rented and Repaired.

M. C. BAKER, 39 Spring Street.

MUSIC.

LESSONS on the Piano, Guitar and Organ.

\$4.00 Per Month.

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For Sale.

EXTRA Clean Sonora Seed Wheat, No. 1 Seed Rye. Bald Barley. In quantities to suit.

J. L. WARD & CO.

GAMBRINUS BREWERY.

Cor. Second and Spring Streets, LOS ANGELES.

Fine Lager Beer for sale

IN QUANTITIES TO SUIT.

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The Hill Improvements.

Water is the all important question in Southern California. Let there be water and everything in the vegetable line springs up and grows with a growth unparalleled in other localities. Orange trees spring up with marvellous rapidity, and the spot becomes a little paradise under the manipulation of industry, wherever water can be had.

The hill lands have been delayed in their sale simply because the arrangements for water were insufficient. The time given for their sale has consequently been extended for two months. A large reservoir, capable of containing untold millions of gallons of water, is now being constructed. An engine and pump is now on its way hither, which will raise 50,000 gallons of water per hour into the reservoir, more than is now consumed by the entire city of Los Angeles.

All lots must be sold previous to April 12th, for upon that date those that are left will be disposed of at public auction, by the popular auctioneer, Noyes. They will be sold on the installment plan, at his rooms in the Temple Block, on Spring street; the first installment payable on day of sale.

Fifteen thousand feet of pipe are now being laid in the streets, 8,000 feet of which are already in the ground, and a million gallon reservoir is now being made to supply the lots with water.

The City Surveyor has been ordered to define the grades and lines of Olive, Charity and Bunker Hill avenues, from Hill to Hope; Second street and Temple street from Hill to Hope. This will bring these lands within easy reach of the business part of the city. The distance to the Court House is less than it is to the Turner's Hall.

Mr. Beaudry being the owner, by perfect and indisputable title, offers the following scheme, believing that it supplies a felt want.

His various tracts have been surveyed, and platted in lots of convenient size for residences, upwards of two hundred in number, and the maps, together with abstracts of title, are kept for public inspection at his office, opposite the Pico House.

Any person desiring to purchase can inspect the land, select his lot or lots, and acquire the same, if not previously taken up by another, upon the following terms, purchasers not being restricted to a single lot:

The purchaser or his successor to pay the fixed price of the lands selected by him, in equal monthly installments, as follows: On lots valued at \$400 and upwards, but not to exceed \$500, \$15 per month; on those valued at \$300 and less than \$400, \$10 per month. Payments in gold or currency, and no interest demanded. For cash in hand a reduction of fifteen per cent. will be made.

The purchaser to have immediate possession upon payment of the first installment and on execution and delivery of contract.

The right of the purchaser may be assigned by him, and his assigns to succeed to all his privileges and liabilities; standing in all respects towards the vendor as an original obligor.

Purchasers shall not be restricted to the payment of the installments as above shown, but may make payments in advance, and on such payments he will allow one per cent. per month, from the date of payment until said payments would become due. Upon selection of a lot or lots by a purchaser, and payment of the first installment with five dollars in U. S. gold coin, as expenses on the document, Mr. Beaudry, with full knowledge and absolute deed of conveyance of the above conditions; and, upon full payment, according thereto, the undersigned will execute and deliver to the purchaser, or his lawful representatives, on demand, a good and sufficient and absolute deed of conveyance of the abstracted lands, in form of warranty against grantor, the grantee paying the cost of such deed.

The location is very desirable. All that has heretofore been lacking is water, and that was now fulfilled. Anywhere else, in as desirable location, lots readily command from \$500 to \$1,000, and even higher rates. This property is put at the astonishing low price of from \$300 to \$400. But this is not all. This may be paid in currency and a reduction of fifteen per cent. will be made for cash in hand.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Extraordinary and Wonderful

BARGAINS!!

A YOUNG MAN RECENTLY arrived from London, England, begs to inform the inhabitants of this city and surrounding country that he purchased before leaving England a large and magnificent stock of

DRY GOODS!

from the firm of L. PAUSON & SON, of London, who failed for £15,000 sterling, at 33 Mark Lane, London, and will dispose of the entire stock in this city at

Less than English Manufacturers' Prices!

Dress Goods, Black Silks, Black Alpaca, Irish and French Poplins!

A Magnificent Lot of Vienna Shawls, West of England Broadcloths, Cassimeres, Beavers, Doerings, Scotch Tweeds, Domestic Prints, and a lot of other goods too numerous to mention, all of which will be sold at half the price of any house in San Francisco.

The following is a List of Prices: 34 Cassimeres, 25 cts a yard; Calicoes, 5 cts a yard; Domestic, 5 cts a yard; Shawls, 50 cts each; Dress Goods, low as \$1 a dress. All the Woolen Goods will be sold at their regular value.

The NEW ARRIVAL is under special agreement to sell to nobody else, and no one else, for traders or merchants cannot get goods at any price and need not come as the space is limited, but must purchase a larger store. The sale will commence on THURSDAY MORNING, at 10 A. M., on the premises opposite the Temple Bank, entrance from Temple street, and will continue every day for one week only, from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Ladies, come at once and see the most elegant goods that ever came to your State.

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Opposite Temple Block.

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Delmonico Restaurant,

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The choicest delicacies of the Best Markets always on the Bill of Fare. Elegant DINNERS and LUNCHEONS at a moderate notice.

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Homes for Everybody!

FINE, DRY, AIRY LOCATION.

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—AND—

THE BEST OF TERMS.

The magnificent Beaudry Tract, overlooking the city, and superior in every respect, has been laid out in Elegant Residence Lots, and placed in the market at prices and on terms that will place splendid homes within the reach of all.

These lots will be sold on the popular

INSTALLMENT PLAN,

giving every industrious mechanic a chance to secure a home in

The MOST ELEGANT PART OF THE CITY

for a nominal sum per month.

Also, a large number of

BUILDING AND BUSINESS LOTS

in all parts of the city.

Ranches for Sale.

OFFICE—OPPOSITE THE PICO HOUSE, LOS ANGELES, CAL.

FIVE building lots near the bridge crossing the Los Angeles river.

ONE lot 50 feet front by 100 feet deep on the West side of New High street, directly in rear of Lazard & Co's store.

ONE lot fronting on Buena Vista street in rear of the above.

TWO lots, Nos. 1 and 2, fronting on Kerner street, adjoining Beaudry Terrace on the north.

SEVEN lots, Nos. 8, 9, 10, 22, 19, 20 and 21, Bk 1st, Bellevue Terrace Tract, near the Woolen Mill.

SEVEN lots, Nos. 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 19 and 20, fronting on Hope street and Bunker Hill avenue, between 3d and 4th streets.

FIVE lots, Nos. 13, 14, 15, 17 and 18, do. do. between 2d and 3d streets.

TWO lots, Nos. 11 and 12, do. do. between 1st and 2d streets.

FOUR lots, Nos. 12, 13, 15 and 16, do. do. between Court and 1st streets.

SIX lots, Nos. 11, 12, 13, 15 and 17, do. do. between Temple and Court streets.

FOUR lots, Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 6, fronting on Charity street and Bunker Hill avenue between 2d and 3d streets.

FIVE lots, Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6, do. do. between 1st and 2d streets.

SIX lots, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7, do. do. do.

FOUR lots, Nos. 3, 6, 7 and 9, do. do. do.

TWO lots, Nos. 12 and 13, fronting on east side of Charity street, between Court and First streets.

FOUR lots, Nos. 4, 5, 7 and 8, fronting on west side of Olive street between Court and 1st streets.

TWO lots, Nos. 7 and 8, fronting on west side of Olive street, corner of Olive and Temple streets.

Amber.

Amber is a fossil resin believed to be the product of an antediluvian species of pine known as *coniferus*. It is found in alluvial soils or on the sea-shore, where it is cast up by the action of the waves. In the latter case it is usually clinging to sea-weed and generally rises from the bottom after a severe storm. It is a hard, semi-transparent, and without smell, except when crushed or heated, when it emits a fragrant odor, which is highly prized by many people, and especially by the Orientals.

A very large proportion of the amber of commerce is obtained from Prussia, and is found on the shores of the Baltic Sea, being fished for in the surf or dug out of the hillocks of sand which line the coast. This substance is also found on the shore of the Adriatic, at Cape Sable, in Maryland, and to some extent in England and other countries. According to tradition the Baltic is the site of an ancient forest of immense extent, and a gum which exuded from the trees became hard and was thus preserved from destruction. Leaves, and even flies and insects are frequently found imbedded in the mass, and specimens of this kind bring a high price. In some localities amber is found in "masses," but it is more commonly obtained in isolated pieces. In the sand-hillocks regular beds are worked, enclosed in a soil of blue clay, which is to be met with at an average depth of one hundred feet, and a thickness of twenty-five to thirty feet. In some instances amber is obtained by divers or by dredging along the sea-coast. It varies greatly in color, but is usually of yellowish tinge.

The ancients had a very pretty conceit regarding this substance, and fable says that it is the petrified tears of the Helades, Sisters of Phaeton, who fell from his father's car when struck by the thunder-bolt of Jupiter. These graceful virgins were turned into poplar trees after his untimely death, which they unceasingly mourned until thus changed both in form and condition.

Amber is used in the manufacture of beads, crosses, drinking-cups, cigar-holders, rings, handles for canes, chessmen, and many other useful as well as fancy articles. It is an article of considerable export from Prussia, and until within the last twenty-five years Turkish, Greek and Armenian traders came to Prussia to buy the raw or manufactured articles; but of late the business has been in great share monopolized by Danzig and Paris. The statistics show that in 1858 over 120,000 pounds of the raw and manufactured article were shipped to China, India and Japan, and about an equal quantity sent to Poland, Turkey, Russia and Egypt. The beads and neck ornaments sent to Turkey and Egypt were used by the slave-traders in their nefarious traffic. A peculiar large and flat kind of beads are exported for neck-ornaments to Burma to decorate the native idols. Mouth-pieces for pipes are also sent in large quantities to the East, as the Koran forbids the faithful followers of Mahomed to touch with their lips any part of a dead animal, such as horn, tortoise shell, etc. By distillation amber yields an empyreumatic oil, and succinic acid. It is also the basis of an excellent varnish which is mostly made from the coarser varieties. The refuse is sold for medicinal and other purposes, and is sometimes used as a fumigator in ladies' boudoirs.

The price of this substance depends on its size, color and transparency. The most transparent is usually the most valuable; then follows the translucent, and lastly, the opaque. Of the last variety, the milky is preferable in the West, and the light yellow in the East. The best amber is relatively very costly, and this has caused speculators to engage in the manufacture of an imitation that finds a ready sale in various parts of the world.

This artificial amber was first made by Professor Goepfert, a chemist of Breslau, who subjected pine resin and pine boughs to a warm bath of 150 to 180 degrees Fahrenheit, for about twelve weeks, and thus obtained an imitation without the smell of turpentine, but with an acquired and fragrant odor; but unlike the genuine amber, it could be dissolved by subjecting it to the action of alcohol. Further experiments were made with the resin of the larch tree, which were subjected to a like heat for one year, and the latter article more nearly resembled the genuine and was not dissolved by alcohol. It is thought that continued scientific experiment will yet produce an article more perfectly representing the qualities of genuine amber.

Pieces of amber usually vary in size from the dimensions of a pea up to twenty ounces; but occasionally it is found in large masses weighing from ten to eighteen pounds. The latter, however, is said to be the largest ever known, and is preserved in its raw state in the Royal Cabinet of curiosities at Berlin. It was obtained about twelve miles from the shore of the Baltic; only a little below the surface of the ground. It is valued at ten thousand dollars. Pieces of one pound weight range from sixty to seventy dollars, and a piece of thirteen pounds would be worth about five thousand dollars. The value of the article increases greatly with its size.

Formerly the Prussian Government exercised great rigor in the punishment of all persons who entered upon the business of gathering or selling amber without a permit from the proper authorities. An individual purloining amber from the sea shore was liable to be punished with death. At present one or more joint stock companies enjoy this exclusive privilege of dealing in this commodity, and pay large sums for the Royal monopoly. —[N. Y. M. Journal.]

The Vasco de Gama, of the new China line, wants her bottom scraped, and ought to have it scraped now. But it will cost \$3,000 to scrape it here, and only \$1,200 to scrape it in Hongkong, so she will wait till she gets back to Hongkong. This is an illustration of what is occurring here every day. No sea-going vessel buys any supplies in San Francisco, or has any work done here that can possibly be avoided. Even vessels owned here purchase all their stores and tackle, and have all their repairs made in foreign ports. The reason of this is the tariff for the protection of American industry, which makes ship stores and repairs of all sorts cost in American ports from fifty to one hundred per cent more than anywhere else. With free trade in these articles the business of supplying and repairing deep sea vessels would be one of the great businesses in San Francisco. As it is, it amounts to almost nothing. —[S. F. Post.]

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